Cutting of Power supply by NHPC to SEBS

*310. MAULANA OBAIDULLAH KHAN AZMI: Will the PRIME MINISTER pleased to state:

(a) whether Government have authorised the National Hydro Power Corporation to cut power supply to the defaulting State Electricity Boards;

(b) if so, the details thereof, alongwith the outstanding dues of each SEB and its probable effect on their functioning; and

(c) the steps being taken or proposed to be taken to ensure timely payment of dues by SEBs?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF POWER (DR. S. VENUGOPALACHARI): (a) and (b) The allocation of power of various States / Union Territories from the power stations of the National Hydro-electric Power Corporation (NHPC) is, inter-alia, subject to the condition that in case of failure of the beneficiary to ensure timely payment, NHPC may shut off or restrict power supply to it and advise the concerned Regional Electricity Board to re-allocate the surplus power to other beneficiaries. Accordingly, when a beneficiary is not able to liquidate the arrears in spite of persistent requests and follow-up, NHPC may consider regulating supply of power, subject to considerations of grid security. The outstanding dues of NHPC from the SEBs as on 30.6.1996 are shown in the statement (*See* below)

(c) The steps being taken for getting arrears cleared from the defaulting SEBs include, constant follow-up at various levels, persuading the SEBs to open Letters of Credit and to execute commercial agreements in favour of NHPC for purchase of power, and recovery of the outstanding amount in instalments through the Central Plan Allocation of the defaulting States.

Statement

Sl. No.	Name of the State Electricity Board / State	(Rs. in Crores) Outstanding dues (As on 30.6.1996)
1.	Assam	22.16
2.	Arunachal Pradesh	0.88
3.	Bihar	1.71
4.	Haryana	170.49
5.	Himachal Pradesh	12.66
6.	Jammu & Kashmir	45.84
7.	Manipur	5.56
8.	Meghalaya	0.15
9.	Mizoram	1.79
10.	Nagaland	3.62
11.	Punjab	35.80
12.	Rajasthan	11.71
13.	Uttar Pradesh	167.07
14.	West Bengal	2.30
15.	Delhi Electric Supply Undertaking	92.92
16.	Damodar Valley Corproation	0.24
17.	Union Territory Chandigarh	0.29
18.	North Eastern Electric Power Corpn.	0.92
	Total:	576.11

Streamlining the functioning of CAPART

*311. SHRI JAGIR SINGH DARD: DR. SHRIKANT RAMCHANDRA JICHKAR:

Will the Minister of RURAL AREAS AND EMPLOYMENT be pleased to state:

(a) the number of new NGOs supported by CAPART for better implementation of development programmes in rural areas;

(b) whether there are several irregulaities in CAPART and whether any Parliamentary Committee has recently examined this;

(c) if so, what are the findings thereof; and

(d) the steps proposed to be taken to streamline the functioning of CAPART?

THE MINISTER OF RURAL AREAS AND EMPLOYMENT (SHRI YERRAN NAIDU K.): (a) CAPART is reported to have supported 559 voluntary